



REMARKS

In response to the outstanding Office Action mailed December 27, 2005, Applicant has amended claims 7, 8, 10-19 and 24-26 responsive to the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, set forth at page 2 of the Action.

According, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of the claims under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, is requested.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that all outstanding requirements have been complied with and the subject application is now in condition for allowance which early action is submitted.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666. If a telephone interview would expedite the prosecution of this Application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (310) 207-3800.

Respectfully submitted,

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